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549.	Use of assets on dissolution or liquidation.
550.	Reservation of right to amend or repeal chapter.

§ 531. Corporation created

The following named persons to wit: General of the Army Douglas MacArthur, New York; Major General Amos A. Fries, retired, and Major General Ulysses S. Grant, 3d, retired, Washington, District of Columbia; Charles Boynton, Long Beach, California; Frank Worner, Inglewood, California; Wilbur Coursey, Fresno, California; Roy A. Davis, Colorado Springs, Colorado; Angus Ogborn, Richmond, Indiana; Thomas M. Horn, Lafayette, Indiana; Alonzo R. Stanfield, Indianapolis, Indiana; Roy J. Bennett, Des Moines, Iowa; Homer L. Young, Waterloo, Iowa; Dr. L. L. Shoppe, Des Moines, Iowa; E. S. Spangler, Newton, Kansas; A. P. Phillips, Newton, Kansas; William Dix, Newton, Kansas; F. Harold Dubord, Waterville, Maine; Hon. Burleigh Martin, Augusta, Maine; General William E. Southard, Bangor, Maine; George W. Kimball, Chelsea, Massachusetts; Brigadier General Otis M. Whitney, Concord, Massachusetts; Charles H. E. Moran, Holyoke, Massachusetts; Governor Alvan Tufts Fuller, Boston, Massachusetts; Charles R. Cowdin, Detroit, Michigan; Birt Hammong, Jackson, Michigan; Charles F. Dexter, Detroit, Michigan; Donald F. Peacock, Detroit, Michigan; Dewey B. Mead, Minneapolis, Minnesota; Donald C. Bennyhof, Hennepin County, Minnesota; William A. Anderson, Minneapolis, Minnesota; Laurence J. Parker, Bennington, New Hampshire; Wallace L. Mason, Keene, New Hampshire; Cleon E. Heald, Keene, New Hampshire; Colonel Edward Black, retired, Bennington, New Hampshire; Albert C. Lambert, Trenton, New Jersey; Colonel Frederic G. Bauer, Ridgewood, New Jersey; Charles A. Otto, Elizabeth, New Jersey; C. Wesley Armstrong, Trenton, New Jersey; Doctor Karl Rothschild, New Brunswick, New Jersey; Rev. Hermon L. Brockway, Ithica, New York; William M. Coffin, Cincinnati, Ohio; Homer A. Ramey, Toledo, Ohio; Miles S. Kuhn, Dayton, Ohio; S. Anselm Skelton, Portsmouth, Ohio; Frederick K. Davis, Eugene, Oregon; Doctor W. E. Buchanan, Eugene, Oregon; Austin D. McReynolds, Eugene, Oregon; Glenn L. Adams, Salem, Oregon; John H. Runkle, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania; C. Leroy Stoudt, Reading, Pennsylvania; Walter C. Mabie, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; Edgar L. Gale, Seattle, Washington; Edward T. Fairchild, Madison, Wisconsin; Roland J. Steinle, Milwaukee, Wisconsin; Lyall T. Beggs, Madison, Wisconsin; and Doctor William Martin Lamers, Wauwatosa, Wisconsin; and their successors, are created and declared to be a body corporate of the District of Columbia, where its legal domicile shall be, by the name of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War (hereinafter referred to as the corporation), and by such name shall be known and have perpetual succession and the powers, limitations, and restrictions herein contained.

(Aug. 20, 1954, ch. 774, § 1, 68 Stat. 748.)

SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This section is referred to in section 532 of this title.

§ 532. Completion of organization

A majority of the persons named in section 531 of this title, acting in person or by written proxy, are authorized to complete the organization of the corporation by the selection of officers and employees, the adoption of a constitution and bylaws not inconsistent with this chapter, and the doing of such other acts as may be necessary for such purpose.

(Aug. 20, 1954, ch. 774, § 2, 68 Stat. 749.)

§ 533. Purposes of corporation

The purposes of the corporation shall be: To perpetuate the memory of the Grand Army of the Republic and of the men who saved the Union in 1861 to 1865; to assist in every practicable way in the preservation and making available for research of documents and records pertaining to the Grand Army of the Republic and its members; to cooperate in doing honor to all those who have patriotically served our country in any war; to teach patriotism and the duties of citizenship, the true history of our country, and the love and honor of our flag; to oppose every tendency or movement that would weaken loyalty to, or make for the destruction or impairment of, our constitutional Union; and to inculcate and broadly sustain the American principles of representative government, of equal rights, and of impartial justice for all.

(Aug. 20, 1954, ch. 774, § 3, 68 Stat. 749.)

§ 534. Powers of corporation

The corporation shall have power—

- (1) to have succession by its corporate name;
- (2) to sue and be sued, complain and defend in any court of competent jurisdiction;
- (3) to adopt, use, and alter a corporate seal;
- (4) to choose such officers, managers, agents, and employees as the activities of the corporation may require;
- (5) to adopt, amend, and alter a constitution and bylaws; not inconsistent with the laws of the United States or any State in which the corporation is to operate, for the management of its property and the regulation of its affairs;
- (6) to contract and be contracted with;
- (7) to take by lease, gift, purchase, grant, devise, or bequest from any public body or agency or any private corporation, association, partnership, firm, or individual and to hold absolutely or in trust for any of the purposes of the corporation any property, real, personal, or mixed, necessary or convenient for attaining the objects and carrying into effect the purposes of the corporation, subject, however, to applicable provisions of law of any State (A) governing the amount or kind of property which may be held by, or (B) otherwise limiting or controlling the ownership of property by, a corporation operating in such State;
- (8) to transfer, convey, lease, sublease, encumber and otherwise alienate real, personal or mixed property; and
- (9) to borrow money for the purposes of the corporation, issue bonds therefor, and secure the same by mortgage, deed of trust, pledge or otherwise, subject in every case to all applicable provisions of Federal and State laws; and